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REMARKS

As of this response, Applicants amend claims 1, 4, and 10. Applicants further add new claims 37-40. No new matter is added for the amendments or the new claims.

Applicants amend claim 1 in this response. Pursuant to an interview on April 3, 2008 with the Examiner, Applicants delete the term "capable of being" and replace the term "removed" with "removed or pulled away." This newly amended claim 1 is not disclosed or taught in U.S. Pat. No. 3,263,699 to Ashley. Ashley teaches cap members releasably secured to frame members by screws in a system which may not be removed while the blades are engaged in cutting. Hence, Applicants submit that the rejections to claims 2-9, all dependent from claim 1, also should be overcome.

Similarly, Applicants amend claim 10 to include the "removed or pulled away" limitation. Applicants respectfully submit that rejections to claim 10 should be overcome. Further, claims 11-14 depend from claim 10. Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections to claims 11-14 should be overcome.

Applicants amend claim 4 to present a proper *Markush* claim and limit the claim to those materials the polymeric foam support structure may include. Accordingly, new claim 37 is added to present materials which may be included in a non-foam support structure.

New claim 38 combines amended claim 1 with claim 3, a combination which the January 8, 2008 Office Action stated would be allowable. New claims 39 and 40 depend from claim 38 and correspond to claims 4 and 5.

This response has been timely filed. Accordingly, no fee is required. In the event that a fee is required for this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0436.

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CONCLUSION

As of this response, Applicants amend claims 1, 4, and 10. Applicants add new claims 37-40. No new matter is added for the amendments or the new claims. For the reasons set forth above, Applicants request that the Examiner allow the claims.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, or need any additional information from Applicants' attorney, I invite the Examiner to contact me at the phone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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